

In the claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A sectioning apparatus for a form-fitting cover of an object comprising:

a plurality of material coupling members that coupled attach to at least one portion of the form-fitting cover; and

a separating assembly coupled to said plurality of material coupling members and separable into a plurality of separation mating members, said separating assembly configured to separate separating the form-fitting cover into a plurality of sections;

said plurality of material coupling members and said separating assembly attach to said form-fitting cover along an intended seam area of said form-fitting cover.

2 (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said plurality of material coupling members comprise:

a first member coupled to a first section of the cover; and

a second member coupled to a second section of the cover.

3. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 2 wherein said first section is adjacent said second section.

4. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said plurality of material coupling members comprise elements selected from at least one of adhesive elements, snap elements, hook elements, loop elements, locking elements and stitching elements.

5. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 further comprising at least one protection element coupled to said plurality of material coupling members.

6. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as in claim [[1]]5 wherein said at least one protection element is at least one of plastic wrap, wax paper, and non-stick paper.

7. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said plurality of material coupling members have a non-adhesive side.

8. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said plurality of material coupling members and said separating assembly are in the form of a tape.

9. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein the form-fitting cover is in the form of a shrink-wrap material.

10. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said separating assembly comprises:

a first separation mating member; and  
a second separation mating member.

11. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said separating assembly comprises:

a first separation mating member having hooks; and  
a second separation mating member having loops.

12. (Withdrawn) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said separating assembly comprises snagging ends.

13. (Original) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said separating assembly comprises at least one element selected from grommet elements, snap elements, hook elements, loop elements, locking elements, zipper elements.

14. (Withdrawn) An apparatus as in claim 1 further comprising a sealing flap coupled to said plurality of material coupling members and covering an exterior portion of said separating assembly.

15. (Currently Amended) An object cover assembly for protection of an object comprising:

a form-fitting cover; and  
a sectioning apparatus comprising:

a plurality of material coupling members having a common application side and coupled to at least one portion of said form-fitting cover via said common application side; and

a separating assembly coupled to said plurality of material coupling members and separable into a plurality of overlapping separating

assembly elements, said separating assembly separating separable to  
reveal a seam area of the form-fitting cover into a plurality of sections.

16. (Withdrawn) A method of applying and separating a section of a form-fitting cover for an object comprising:

applying a plurality of material coupling members of a sectioning apparatus to a portion of the form-fitting cover;

separating a plurality of separation mating members;

cutting the cover; and

mating said plurality of separation mating members.

17. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 wherein said plurality of material coupling members are adhered to said portion.

18. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 further comprising accessing the object through separation of said plurality of separation mating members.

19. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 further comprising:

applying a shrink-wrap material to the object; and

shrinking said shrink-wrap material to form fit over the object.

20. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 further comprising:

applying the form-fitting cover to the object;

forming the form-fitting cover over the object;

removing a section of the cover via said plurality of separation members;

and

reapplying said section to the object.

21. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 further comprising:

applying the form-fitting cover to the object;

forming the form-fitting cover over the object;

removing the form-fitting cover from the object; and

reapplying the form-fitting cover to the object.

22. (Withdrawn) A method as in claim 16 wherein separating a plurality of separation members comprises at least one of untying, unlocking, unhooking, unzipping, and unsnapping said plurality of separation members.

23. (New) An apparatus as in claim 8 wherein said tape is a one-sided cover application tape.

24. (New) An apparatus as in claim 1 wherein said plurality of material coupling members overlap and add material length to at least one of said plurality of material sections.

25. (New) An apparatus as in claim 1 further comprising at least one seal sealing said plurality of material sections.

26. (New) An apparatus as in claim 25 wherein said at least one seal is a re-sealable environmental barrier.